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### **3. STATUS OF CLAIMS**

The present application was filed on September 12, 2000 with claims 1-50. In the First office Action, mailed October 6, 2003, claims 1-50 were rejected. In a Response to this Office Action filed on April 9, 2004, claims 1, 3, 9, 19, 25, 26, 30, 39, 45, 47, 48 were amended and new claims 51-60 were added. No claims were cancelled. A Final Office Action (hereinafter "the Final Office Action") was mailed July 29, 2004. The present Amendment and Response includes the amendment of claims 1-2, 5-6, 8-9, 13, 19, 25-26, 30, 39, 45, 47, 48, and 56-60. The present Amendment and Response further includes the cancellation of claims 4 and 5. Thus, Claims 1-3 and 6-60 stand rejected and remain pending. A complete, marked-up listing of all claims, with their present status, appears in the Claims Appendix.